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U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01735-CRC

DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION v. UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION et al

Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 07/25/2018 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/25/2018	1	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090–5604040) filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A, # 2 Exhibit B, # 3 Exhibit C, # 4 Civil Cover Sheet, # 5 Summons, # 6 Summons, # 7 Summons)(Shah, Nitin) (Attachment 4 replaced on 7/27/2018) (zmd). (Entered: 07/25/2018)
07/25/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (zmd) (Entered: 07/27/2018)
07/27/2018	2	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. General. (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 07/27/2018)
08/01/2018	<u>3</u>	REQUEST FOR SUMMONS TO ISSUE to Jessie K. Liu, U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia re 1 Complaint, filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. Related document: 1 Complaint, filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION.(Shah, Nitin) (Entered: 08/01/2018)

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08/07/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (1) Issued Electronically as to U.S. Attorney. (zrdj) (Entered: 08/07/2018)
08/13/2018	5	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/9/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/8/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 8/6/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION served on 8/3/2018; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY served on 8/3/2018 (Attachments: # 1 Declaration)(Shah, Nitin) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
09/10/2018	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.(Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 09/10/2018)
09/10/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by September 25, 2018. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 09/10/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 09/10/2018)
09/10/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 9/25/2018. (znbn) (Entered: 09/10/2018)
09/25/2018	7	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 09/25/2018)
09/27/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' 7 Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before November 1, 2018. The parties shall adhere to a briefing schedule on Plaintiff's expedited processing claim as follows: Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before October 16, 2018; Defendants' opposition and cross—motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before November 14, 2018; Plaintiff's reply and opposition shall be filed on or before November 28, 2018; Defendants' reply shall be filed on or before December 12, 2018. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 09/27/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
09/27/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/1/2018 Summary Judgment motions due by 10/16/2018. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 11/14/2018. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 11/28/2018. Replies due by 12/12/2018. (lsj) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
10/16/2018	8	MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum in Support, # 2 Exhibit A, # 3 Exhibit B, # 4 Exhibit C, # 5 Exhibit D, # 6 Exhibit E, # 7 Statement of Facts, # 8 Text of Proposed Order)(Shah, Nitin) (Entered: 10/16/2018)
11/01/2018	9	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 11/01/2018)
11/02/2018		MINUTE ORDER: The parties shall appear for a telephonic status conference on November 7, 2018 at 12:00 PM. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/02/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 11/02/2018)
11/05/2018		Set/Reset Hearings: Telephone Conference set for 11/7/2018 at 12:00 PM in Chambers before Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (Isj) (Entered: 11/05/2018)
11/07/2018		MINUTE ORDER: The parties shall file a status report on or before December 14, 2018, to include an update regarding the first disclosure of responsive documents. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/07/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 11/07/2018)
11/07/2018		Minute Entry for Telephone Conference held before Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/7/2018. Forthcoming Order. (Court Reporter: Lisa Moreira) (lsj) (Entered: 11/07/2018)

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<u>10</u>	Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 12/14/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 11/07/2018)
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1	STIPULATION re <u>8</u> MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Shah, Nitin) (Entered: 11/09/2018)
	MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>10</u> Stipulation, Plaintiff's <u>8</u> Motion for Partial Summary Judgment is denied without prejudice as moot. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/13/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 11/13/2018)
11	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 12/14/2018)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before January 31, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 12/17/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 12/17/2018)
	Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 1/31/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 12/18/2018)
<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 01/31/2019)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before February 12, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 02/01/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
	Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/12/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 02/12/2019)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' 13 Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before March 29, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 02/13/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 02/13/2019)
	Set/Reset Deadlines: Further Status Report due by 3/29/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 02/14/2019)
<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 03/28/2019)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before May 23, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 03/28/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 03/28/2019)
	Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 5/23/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 03/29/2019)
<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 05/23/2019)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before July 23, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 05/24/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 05/24/2019)
	Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 7/23/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 05/28/2019)
<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 07/23/2019)
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07/23/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The parties' 16 Joint Status Report indicates that Defendants will complete processing of responsive records by August 22, 2019. Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before September 23, 2019, indicating whether any disputes remain and, if so, proposing a briefing schedule. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 07/23/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 07/23/2019)
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